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NEWS AND COMMENT.

A SEVERE storm passed through sections of northeast Texas and Arkansas Saturday. The casualties were small, considering the scope of the territory involved. There are four dead and five believed to be dying at Willis Point, Texas, where the property loss will reach \$100,000. Five persons were badly hurt at New Boston, Texas, none fatally. The property loss there will reach \$75,000. At and near Emory, Raines county, one man was killed and several were hurt, two seriously. The damage to property was heavy. Heavy wind and rain storms also prevailed in Illinois, Michigan, Ohio, Indiana and Pennsylvania.

SATURDAY night's storm was felt severely in Memphis. Telephone and telegraph wires were blown down in all directions outside of the city, neither the Western Union nor the Postal having a wire up at one time.

PRESIDENT WILLIAMS, of the Seaboard Air Line, says that the road has not been acquired by the Louisville and Nashville interests. Mr. Williams also states that a controlling interest in the road is not for sale at any price.

THE failure of the Rivers and Harbors Bill has made the situation along the Mississippi river serious, as there is no money on hand with which to continue the usual levee work.

MAJ. GEORGE S. KINNEY, one of Nashville's best known citizens, died last week. He was prominently identified with Nashville public affairs for many years.

EX-CONGRESSMAN M. H. Howard of Alabama, the author of "If Christ Came to Congress," has filed a petition in bankruptcy.

COCKE COUNTY'S jail was totally destroyed by fire Sunday morning. It is believed the building was set afire by an incendiary.

AT Ripley, Tenn., the corporation was abolished and whiskey thereby voted out, by a vote of 117 to 114.

THIRTY sheep on the farm of W. H. Glass near Franklin, were killed by cogs Friday night.

SUNDAY was the 123rd anniversary of the birth of Robert Emmett, the Irish patriot-martyr.

THE L. & N. has decided to build a handsome new depot at Henderson, Ky.

FLAW IN THE INDICTMENT

Causes a Hitch in the Thomas-Godfrey Murder Trial.

INDICTMENT READ

"J. D. GODFREY,"

Whereas It Should Have Read "J. G. Godfrey"—Indictment Nolle Prossed and Grand Jury Returns Another Bill—Nice Point in Law Involved.

The case against John Thomas, charging murder in the first degree for the killing of Prof. J. G. Godfrey last October, was called Monday morning in the Circuit Court. The State announced ready for trial, but it was not until noon that the defense announced that they were ready to proceed.

Court re-convened at 1:30 o'clock for the afternoon session, and the work of selecting the jury commenced. One hundred men had previously been summoned, from whom the jurors were chosen. These, together with the large number of witnesses and spectators, thronged the court-room and the hall outside.

This case, with the exception of the Irvine murder case, is the most interesting that has been on trial in the Circuit Court at this place in recent years. The attorneys in the case are as follows: For the State, Attorney-General Boyd, Capt. J. H. Russell, and Messrs. G. T. Hughes, E. A. Cox and Salmon & Turner. For the defense—Messrs. J. C. Voorhies, Figures & Padgett, James A. Smiser, W. B. Greenlaw and W. C. Whitthorne.

When brought in court Monday morning the prisoner looked pale and emaciated. He has been in ill health for some time, and his confinement in jail has not helped his condition.

The jury in the John Thomas murder case was completed Monday afternoon about 4 o'clock, after calling between sixty-five and seventy men. The personnel of the jury is as follows:

W. H. Edwards, Taylorsville.
J. K. Eiffe, Hampshire.
Robert Woody, Bigbyville.
R. C. Gordon, Cross Bridges.
T. E. Alderson, Water Valley.
E. T. Journey, Leftwich Bridge.
George C. Douglass, Enterprise.
W. M. Foster, Jr., Pulliam.
John W. Jackson, Columbia.
C. F. Perry, Columbia.
Haywood Taylor, Timmons.
G. M. Foster, Stiversville.
Deputy Sheriff C. D. Harder and A. E. Church were appointed to take charge of the jury, and court then adjourned until Tuesday morning at 9 o'clock.

TUESDAY'S PROCEEDINGS.

Court convened promptly at 9 o'clock, His Honor Judge Holding and the other court officers, the jury and nearly all the lawyers being promptly on time. Not only these, but the spectators. It is surprising how many men have time to spend day after day indulging a morbid curiosity to hear witnesses detail the sad story of the tragic death of a fellow man.

The proceedings of the Court were delayed all the forenoon by the discovery this morning of a fatal flaw in the indictment; the indictment charging defendant with the killing of "one J. D. Godfrey," whereas, as a matter of fact, the name of the deceased was J. G. Godfrey. At first the expectant audience could not understand the delay, but the cause gradually leaked out, and then the interesting query was "what will they do about it?"

Attorney General Boyd had left the court-room and was known to be closeted with the grand jury, and finally at 11:30 o'clock, the grand jury returned another indictment, this time charging the defendant with killing J. G. Godfrey.

The Attorney-General then appeared before the Court and stated that the counsel for the state had discovered that morning for the first time the misnomer, which they knew would be fatal to the case, and therefore asked for a nolle pro; requesting that the minutes show that the nolle pro. was entered in the case of the State vs. J. W. Thomas, charged with the killing of one J. D. Godfrey.

Mr. Padgett, for the defense, objected, stating that the prisoner had been formally arraigned and placed on trial, the jury sworn and a plea of not guilty entered, and the defendant was entitled to an acquittal.

The Court ordered the nolle pro to be entered.

By Agreement of Counsel.
The lawyers in the case and His Honor Judge Holding held a short private conference, and by agreement it was decided to have the trial under the new indictment and before the same jury. The Court therefore discharged the jury in the case of J. D. Godfrey, and they were re-empaneled to try the cause of the State of Tennessee vs. J. W. Thomas, for the murder of J. G. Godfrey, alias Prof. Godfrey.

The dinner hour having arrived, Court adjourned until 1:30 p. m.

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Marriage Licenses.

Sam Parrish to Miss Rosa Osborne.
C. S. Chaffin to Miss Lillie Seaton.
Chas. Newman to Miss Lucy Rounds.
Sam Parrish to Miss Rosa Osborne.

DON'T WORRY.

Don't worry if you cannot have
The world as you desire,
But try to make the most of life
And happiness inspire;
A cheerful smile and sweet content
Add sunshine into life.
And have the greatest power to
Dispel its care and strife.

'Tis smiles that drive away life's gloom,
And not sad worryment;
So let our lives in happiness,
Not discontent, be spent;
Look up to God to find His light
To brighten every day,
And when the world seems to abuse
Just look another way.

The clouds that intervene,
Until the darkness passes by,
And you the light have seen,
Don't worry, for to every cloud
A silver lining shines
And with the sorrows of the soul
God's solace ever combines.
—MARTHA SHEPPARD LIPPINCOTT.

LOST HIS LEG.

Engineer Bowers of Nashville, Meets With an Accident.

Engineer Foster Bowers, of Nashville, met with a distressing accident at Decatur, Ala., 1st Saturday, which resulted in his losing his leg and being otherwise injured. He was crossing the railroad tracks, when he was struck by a train and run over.

The unfortunate man's wife was notified immediately of the accident, and was carried to Decatur this morning on a special train.

BLEW OUT HIS BRAINS.

Bristol, Tenn., Man Kills Himself in the Presence of His Family.

BRISTOL, TENN., March 9.—J. T. Powell, a Bristol saloon-keeper, forty-five years of age, in a fit of despondency blew his brains out with a revolver at 7 o'clock this morning. The tragedy was enacted in the dining room of his home and in the presence of his wife and children. He had attempted suicide on the previous evening, but was prevented from killing himself by friends.

His despondency was, it is said, to have been the result of the death of his twelve year old son who was drowned in the Holston river last summer while out with a fishing party.

DEADLOCK LASTING SIX YEARS.

Delaware Legislature Adjourns without Electing a Senator.

DOVER, DEL., March 8.—There was intense excitement to day when the presiding officer called for the joint ballot for United States Senator on this, the last day of the present session. The vote resulted in the deadlock remaining unbroken.

Delaware has not had a full representation in the United States Senate since the expiration of former Senator Anthony Higgins' term in 1895. Mr. Higgins was a candidate for re-election, but was opposed by Edward Addicks, who had recently moved to Delaware from Philadelphia. Mr. Addicks deadlocked the Legislature and made the threat that the Senator would be "Addicks or nobody." The deadlock has existed ever since and the factional fight has been perhaps the bitterest in the history of American politics.

HOLDER CASE.

J. W. Holder Convicted and Sentenced to One Year.

The jury in the case against J. H. and J. W. Holder returned a verdict Monday morning, acquitting the former and convicting the latter and fixing his punishment at one year in the penitentiary. The defendants in this case were charged with stealing several head of sheep from Mr. Newt Pickard. The case attracted a great deal of interest, and nearly all of last week was consumed in its trial. Judge Holding charged the jury Saturday night. A motion for a new trial in the case has been entered.

HER COMB CAUGHT FIRE.

Young Lady in Giles County Painfully Burned.

LYNNVILLE, TENN., MAR. 8.—Miss Amanda Wilsford, of the Buford vicinity, was sitting near an open fire last night when her celluloid comb became ignited and in a flash the flames swept over her head. Fortunately her father was in the room and succeeded in extinguishing the fire, but not before she was badly burned about the head and face.

METHODIST WAR CLAIM.

The Matter Will Be Revived by Senator Hoar.

WASHINGTON, March 11.—The Methodist Church, South, claim matter may be reopened in Congress. This is a claim of \$300,000 paid to the church, about \$100,000 of which was alleged to have been paid for fees for getting it through.

Senator Hoar, of Massachusetts, has made known his intention to bring this matter before the Senate. However, in conversation with Senator Bate, he said he would not do so until the General Conference meets and takes action on the matter.

It is understood that the general conference meets in May a year hence. The next session of Congress will run into the summer. It is likely, therefore, that the conference will take some action before Congress adjourns, and if so, then the matter can be brought up before the end of the session.



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SALOONS MUST

CLOSE AT 8 P. M.

So Says the Board of Aldermen.

THE 10 O'CLOCK LAW AMENDED

At Last Week's Meeting—Amendment Will Take Effect April 1, Unless Mayor Cameron Interposes his Veto.

The Board of Mayor and Aldermen did a good night's work at its meeting last Thursday night. Hereafter it will be the "eight o'clock bell" in place of the "ten o'clock bell," and at the ringing thereof, all saloons in the city will close their doors, to remain closed until 4:30 o'clock in the morning. An amendment to the ten o'clock ordinance to this effect was passed on its several readings, and will take effect Monday, April 1.

This action of the Board was somewhat of a surprise to the citizens of Columbia, as there had been no discussion of the matter previous to the meeting. When the Aldermen assembled Thursday night, the subject was brought up, and the sentiment for amending the law was so strong that it was decided that something should be done at once.

It was at first suggested that the ordinance be so changed as to require saloons to remain closed from sun-down until sun-up; but this, it was thought, would make the constitutionality of the law doubtful, and it was decided to place the hour of closing at 8 p. m., this hour to apply to Saturday night also. The time of opening in the morning—4:30 o'clock—remains the same as heretofore. The law that has been in force since 1896, requires the saloons to close at 10 o'clock each night in the week except Saturday night, when they are allowed to remain open until 11.

While the amendment was being written, and when it was brought up on its third and final reading, the members of the Board were given opportunity to fully express their opinions.

Alderman White said there was no man more opposed to whiskey than he; he had seen its terrible effects, and he was in favor of the wives and mothers and children every time. He said he hadn't taken a drop of whiskey, ale, hard cider, or any kind of intoxicant since Lee surrendered to Grant, and by the help of God he never intended to take another one. He was in favor of the amendment, but he thought it would not be treating the saloon men exactly fair to raise their licenses, as had been done the first of the year, and then take "snap judgment" on them. He suggested that the ordinance be passed now and made operative at the expiration of the licenses.

Alderman Payne said he did not think the ordinance was unjust in the least; that the law gave them the right to restrict the saloon business, and that he was not in favor of holding back a law that the public welfare required, on account of a mere monetary consideration. It was then explained by Acting Recorder W. F. Erwin that all of the saloon keepers except one had taken out their licenses for three months, and most of them would expire April 1. Only one saloon-keeper had taken out his license for six months.

Alderman Brownlow said that if the amendment was passed, and any of the saloon keepers desired to quit business on account of it, he would gladly vote to refund them the balance of their licenses. He was heartily in favor of the amendment and thought it ought to be finally disposed of at this meeting. Carrying the matter over until the next meeting, would only mean delay and annoyance by the friends of the saloon, and possibly defeat. He thought the minds of the Aldermen ought to be fully

set led on the question, and urged that the amendment be passed.

The amendment having passed on its first and second readings, under a suspension of the rules was taken up on its third and final reading. Mayor Cameron, asked Alderman Payne to occupy the chair while he made a few remarks. He stated that he was opposed to the saloons and had voted against them for years. However, he wanted to see justice done, and he thought this measure might work a hardship on some. He and one other member of the Board were in the grocery business themselves, and those men who were carrying on a grocery and saloon business combined might think that they were trying to take advantage of them by forcing them to close at 8 p. m. The amendment might be for the best, but he did not think it was.

Alderman McClanahan said he was in favor of the amendment; that he and Capt. White had fought for the 10 o'clock law in a former Board and helped save it. However, he thought action ought to be deferred for further consideration.

Alderman Gant expressed himself as being heartily in favor of the amendment, and wanted it passed.

The vote on the amendment being called, the acting Recorder read the roll. Alderman Brownlow answered "aye," but when Alderman Voss' name was called he asked to be excused from voting. Mayor Cameron said he thought he ought to take one side or the other. Alderman Voss still declined to vote, however. Alderman White's name was called next, and he answered "aye" in no uncertain tones. The remaining members of the Board in attendance—Aldermen Payne, Gant, McClanahan and Nicholson—all voted "aye." This gave six "ayes"—more than a two-thirds majority of the entire Board—and thus the amendment won.

Other Proceedings.

All officers and members of the Board were present except Alderman Craft, Recorder Erwin and City Attorney Towler.

Chairman White of the Light Committee, presented a petition signed by citizens of the Third and Fourth wards, asking that a light be erected at the corner of South Garden and 11th streets. The matter was referred.

Chairman McClanahan, of the Fire Committee, reported the purchase of 1,000 feet of hose. Approved.

Chairman Gant, of the Charity Committee, reported more charity calls than usual. He asked for \$100, which was allowed.

Chairman Payne asked that \$1,200 be allowed to meet the overdraft of \$590.50 in the street department and to carry on the work during March. Allowed.

J. H. Carpenter asked for an allowance on account of a sidewalk which he built in front of his residence. Referred.

Extra policeman (has. Dowell, who has been serving since officer Voss was taken ill, was relieved.

Ancient Documents.

James McGaw, while cleaning away some rubbish in the garret over the Cumberland Telephone office, came across a number of ancient documents. Several of the papers are applications to run distilleries, and bear the date of December, 1816. Another of the papers is a bill for "dental operations" performed by Dr. F. H. Badger, dated March 5, 1847. Among the charges are: "4 gold plugs, \$18; 1 separation, \$3; 1 nerve destroyed, \$1." The following foot-note is printed on the bill: "Payment at my rooms is expected invariably, as soon as the operations are completed. Persons who make positive engagements for my time, and fail to attend to such engagements, to the exclusion of others who might wish to employ my professional services, will be charged for such loss of time as they may occasion."

Maj. Hunter Nicholson.

The death of Maj. Hunter Nicholson, of Knoxville, removes from the stage of action a worthy Tennesseean, a man of cultured mind, wide information and high ideals. He was a native of Maury County and was for some years editor of a Columbia paper. He was on Gen. Buford's staff during the war, and was a gallant soldier. —Nashville American.

THREE FAIR AMERICAN LADIES

Who Use Peruna.



MISS J. WILSON GAIRE.

MISS IDA HARNED.

MISS BARBARA ALBERTY.

Miss Janet Wilson Gaire, President the Ono Musical Club, Kansas City, Mo., also Treasurer The Dream Lodge Mining Co., No. 224, New York Life Insurance Co. building, Kansas City, Mo., writes: The Peruna Medicine Co., Columbus, O.: Gentlemen—"For the past few years I have tried several kinds of medicines when I was feeling badly, but I am free to admit that I never found anything to equal Peruna.

"Last fall I contracted a severe cold which seemed to settle in my joints and made me very uncomfortable for a couple of weeks, until I tried Peruna. Before a week was passed the soreness was gone and before I had used two bottles I was completely restored."

Yours very truly,
J. Wilson Gaire.

Conspicuous among women who have attained success in the business world is Miss Ida Harned, a clever insurance writer. A recent letter from Miss Harned to The Peruna Medicine Co., of Columbus, O., reads as follows:

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The Peruna Medicine Co., Columbus, O.: Gentlemen—"As a tonic I find your Peruna an excellent medicine to build up and restore the nervous system. My work is out doors and traveling to a great extent, and during inclement weather I especially value it as a preventative against colds, and as a cathartic treatment it is unexcelled. It is with much pleasure I give Peruna my hearty endorsement."

Yours truly,
Ida Harned.

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Yours very truly,
Barbara Alberty.

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